

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please delete the paragraph beginning at line 5 of page 1.

Please add the following section heading to the Specification, before the paragraph beginning at line 9 of page 1:

### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 27 of page 1 with the following paragraph:

Against this background, the present invention is ~~based on the problem of~~ directed to providing an energy-saving and efficient method for operation of transmitting and receiving devices in a control system for one or more rooms in a building.

Please delete the paragraph beginning at line 32 of page 1.

After the paragraph beginning at line 32 of page 1 (now deleted), please add the following section heading and paragraph:

### **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Various embodiments of the invention relate to the operation of transmitting and receiving devices in a control system for one or more rooms in a building.

Please add the following section heading to the Specification, before the paragraph beginning at line 35 of page 1:

### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 35 of page 1 with the following paragraph:

~~Preferred developments of the invention result from the dependent claims and the description. An exemplary embodiment~~ Exemplary embodiments of the invention will be explained in more detail in the following text with reference to the drawings, in which:  
Figure 1 shows a block diagram of a control system, according to an example embodiment of the present invention, and  
Figure 2 shows, in schematic form, activation states of a transmitting device and receiving device operated according to another example embodiment of the invention.

Please add the following section heading to the Specification, before the paragraph beginning at line 8 of page 2:

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Please add the following Abstract to the Specification:

### ABSTRACT

Control system communications are facilitated using an approach to the transmission and receipt of data and synchronization communications. According to an example embodiment, data signals are transmitted from a transmission device in a predetermined transmission cycle having a predetermined time interval and transmission duration. A synchronization signal is transmitted between the predetermined time interval (*e.g.*, between cyclic times at which the data signals are transmitted) and includes information regarding the time interval between the transmitted data signals. One or more receiving devices are activated for a predetermined time interval and a predetermined time period that are synchronized to the transmission cycle. The transmission device and receiving device or devices are allocated via addresses that are included in the synchronization signal and the data signal.